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SUCCESSORS TO ARZBACHER, KELLER & CO.

Dealer in

Grain Seeds

Wool Salt,

CEMENTS, Davis Bros.,

CALCINED PLASTER

and all the best grades of

SOFT and HARD Coal.

WAREHOUSE

Warehouse and Office.
325 West Columbus Ave., Bellefontaine,
August 15, 1902.

TREMAIN'S INSURANCE AGENCY

INSURES AGAINST—

Fire, Lightning,

Wind Storms,

Cyclones.

Office Rooms 1 & 2 Empire Block.

June 12, 1902-1903.

Doll & Oder

For the Favorite Stoves and Ranges,
Gas Stoves, Hot Air Furnaces, Tinware,
Tin, Slate and Steel Roofing. Also
Plumbing, Gas, Steam and Hot Water
Fitting. We also do all kinds of Tin,
Steel and Sheet Iron from

ROOFING.

All work guaranteed.

125 SOUTH MAIN ST., BELLEFONTAINE,
Oct. 15, 1902.

Public Auctioneer

Public Sales of all kinds of real
estate and personal property.

At Reasonable Rates,
and satisfaction guaranteed. Every
effort will be made to make all
sales a success, and prompt atten-
tion will be given to all correspondence
and to all business entrusted
me.

E. B. Norviel,
Middleburg, Ohio.

CHOICE LAND

IN THE CITY

FOR SALE!

Twenty acres of land
in First Ward, and four
Houses and Lots.

Also House of eight
rooms for sale or rent.
Can be had on easy
terms.

ESLI POWERS,
714 Zanesfield Ave.

January 7-3m

Frank R. Griffin,
DENTIST.

Special Attention Given to Operations on the
Nerves, Teeth and the Care of
Children's Teeth.

Office Room 20 Lawrence Bldg

BELLEFONTAINE.

HOW ABOUT YOUR Christmas Shopping

Christmas bells will soon ring
merrily. It is about time to
select your gifts.

We are showing a fine selection
of Plain Gold Rings, Fancy
Gold Rings, Diamond Rings,
Opal Gold Rings, etc.
A fine display of Watches,
Chains, Brooches, Cuff But-
tons, Necklaces and Lockets,
Silver Ware and Cut Glass.
You will find those of the
best quality. Call and inspect.

NICE NEW RUGS

MADE

Out of

Old Carpets

In answer to numerous in-
quiries from our many friends,
we are pleased to announce
that we have our

New Rug Machinery

and are prepared to convert
old carpets into new rugs with
neatness and dispatch. Our
machines are of the latest and
best designs and enable us to
turn out the highest grade of
work, and we solicit the pa-
tronage of the public.

The Bellefontaine Mat-
tress & Upholstering Co.

October 14, 1902-1903.

LIVERY FEED STABLE

Having purchased the brick livery stable
located north of the Court House, in rear of
the Chaffin block, I solicit your patronage.

Good Teams,
Modern Vehicles.

I aim to keep first class outfits, and to keep
both horses and vehicles clean and in good
order. Promptness in filling orders will be a
specialty.

The stable being brick, is more comfortable,
warmer and drier, and more safe from
danger of fire.

Boarders will be cared for at reasonable rates.
Feeding teams done reasonably.

Give me a call and I will try to give you
satisfaction. B. W. DICKINSON,
July 29, 1902.

MONEY TO LOAN

At Lowest Interest Ever Offered

4 1/2 Per Centum Per

Ann. Cum.

On all sums of \$1,000.00 or upwards on farm
security money at 4 1/2 per cent. interest pay-
able semi-annually. The first of the year
payments on principal in sums of \$100.00 or
any multiple thereof, at any interest paying
day. Inquire of

A. Jay Miller, Empire Block.

June 27, 1902.

FOR SALE

FARM OF 33 ACRES

Near West Liberty.

Farm situated just west of West Liberty,
one acre and half being in the corporation.
Well improved, good house, big barn, horse
wagon shed, corn crib, smoke house, well and
cisterns. Two large orchards. Will make a
fine home. Inquire of

Mollie Hannum, on the

October 21, 1902-1903.

AM NOW AT THE OAK

AND HAVE A FIRST-CLASS

Restaurant

Curtis Old Stand.

Tom J. Hellings.

Oct. 12, 1902.

THE VALUE OF SOBRIETY

A Business Proposition From a

Soulless Corporation.

What Is True of Collinwood Will

Apply Anywhere?

The Lake Shore Railroad Co. made

the plain business proposition that if

the saloons were abolished from Collin-

wood it would spend another \$1,000,000

in addition to the \$2,000,000 now being

expended in the building of shops there.

This is a cold argument; that the sal-

oon men will have trouble in answering

to the satisfaction even of themselves.

It is a favorite plea of the "sets"

everywhere that saloons bring business

to a town. Indeed, this is the only plea

offered in public.

It has been answered repeatedly, but

never before has it been met with such a

crushing argument as that which this

railroad company, business-like to its

backbone, now advances in a plain busi-

ness proposition.

Nobody ever accused a railroad com-

pany of being actuated by mere senti-

ment, or the liquor question or any

other, especially when a cool million of

the company's money is involved.

And in this case the question with

the railroad is one of business, pure and

simple.

"Under the conditions that ex-

ist in the town we cannot get the best

skilled help we wish—there is the

cold, conclusive argument of a "soulless

corporation," that cares not if a man

be a drunkard or a total abstainer, ex-

cept from the standpoint of his skill and

reliability as a workman.

It takes a million dollars on the cor-

rectness of its judgment that a sober

man is a better workman than one who

drinks.

It is not theorizing, sentimentalizing,

moralizing or guessing.

It has employed millions of men and

from vast and varied experiences has

learned well that the best skilled and

steadfast workman is the man who does

not drink.

It is no new discovery. Every other

great employer has found out the same

thing and feels the same way about it.

The drinking workman is always at a

disadvantage.

Sum it all up and the very best that

drink can possibly do for him is to help

him forget his failures.

If the Lake Shore company loses

through drink in its employees, how

much more must those employees them-

selves lose at the same time?

The company may be able to figure

out how much it loses in dollars and

cents through loss of skill and steady-

ness in its employees, but who can com-

pute, or even attempt to guess, the

meaning to the men themselves of this

loss in skill, steadiness and possibi-

lities?

The railroad company can partially

protect itself against continued loss by

discharging men who drink has made

incompetent or unreliable.

But the drinking man has no way of

discharging his own incompetency and

employing efficiency in its stead.

No, no; there is but one man to work

for him, and that one man is just what

he has made himself.

If it is worth a million dollars invest-

ment to the railroad company to have

the men it employs in Collinwood sober

and steady, then that same end must be

worth immeasurably, infinitely more to

the men of Collinwood themselves.—

Cleveland Press.

New Railway Opened to the

Indian Country.

It is announced that the extension of

the Verdigris branch of the North-

Western Line to Bonsteel, S. D. on the

Roosebud Indian Reservation, is now

open for traffic. Part of the Roosebud

lands are to be opened for settlement

next spring and it is expected there

will be a tremendous rush into the

country now the new railway is done.

The line passes through some of the rich-

est grazing lands in the world. The

Roosebud lands themselves are known

for their value in this regard and

doubtless the opening of this public land

will attract large crowds from all over

the country.

"Well, I'll Be Blowed!"

Mrs. Roosevelt, wife of the Presi-

dent, having been solicited by the La-

die's Aid Society of the Methodist Pro-

testant Church, of Big Springs, in our

country, to donate a handkerchief for a

bazaar to be held by them, writes politely

declining, saying that she has so

many of such applications that she finds

it impossible to respond. It was stated

in the papers a few weeks since that

she was buying handkerchiefs by the

dozen, to respond to such requests,

Advice to Employees.

Elder Hubbard who employs 200 per-

sons in his book printing office, which

is run on the Golden Rule plan, has

the following posted up for the benefit

of his employees, and offers it, gratis,

to all whom it may concern. Hubbard

is a crank on lots of things, but gives

advice here that young men would do

well to consider: If the concern where

you are employed is all wrong, and the

Old Man is a curmudgeon, it may be well

for you to go to the Old Man and con-

fidentially, quietly and kindly tell him he

is a curmudgeon. Explain to him that

his policy is absurd and preposterous.

Then show him how to reform his ways,

and you might offer to take charge of

the concern and cleanse it of all its

secret faults. "Do this; or if for any

reason you should prefer not, then take

your choice of these: Get in or get out of

line. You have got to do one or the other

now, make your choice. If you work

for a man, in heaven's name, work for

him. If he pays you wages that supply

you your bread and butter, work for him,

speak well of him—think well of him—

and by him and stand by the institution he

represents. "I think if I worked

for a man I would work for him. I would

not work for him a part of the time, and

then work the rest of the time against

him. I would give an undivided ser-

vice or none. If put to the pinch an

ounce of loyalty is worth a pound of

cleverness.

Cupid's Pranks.

Not unfrequently have we heard the

criticism of our young people's socie-

ties in the church that they are "court-

ing societies." Now, for our part,

while denying that this is the primary

object or chief result of such associa-

tions of young people, we see no essen-

tial wrong in a young man selecting his

companion for life amid such surround-

ings. Indeed, he is much more likely

to find here the sort of a helpmeet a

man needs, than upon the public dance

platform.

The marriage of the junior member

of the Presbyterian church choir this

week brings to mind an instance in

which this proved to be not the "war

department" of the church under the

rule of Mars, but the realm of soft im-

peachment under the rule of Cupid.

In the Lutheran church of Greenville,

N. J., a voluntary choir, consisting of

six young men and six young women,

after an existence of but eight months,

was completely annihilated by the fact

that the whole six couples paired off

into the holy estate of matrimony and

left the choir gallery. A new organ-

ization was then effected, every mem-

ber of which signed an agreement not

to be married within one year from

date of joining, a forfeit of \$100 to be

paid if the agreement should be broken.

G.

No Annihilation

Though man can gather and scatter,

move, mix and unmix, yet he can de-

stroy nothing. The putrefaction of one

thing is a preparation for the being and

bloom of another. Thus a tree gathers

nourishment from its own fallen leaves

when they are decayed, and something

gathers up the fragments that nothing

is lost.

The Salvation Army seems to have

nerve enough to tackle anything, but

it has hit off a big piece in undertaking

to make a temperance town of Findlay.

A dozen untiring, patient, persever-

ing dropped into that city the first of

the week got the names of the police

doctors and set to work systematically in